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1. DEPT HAS CONTACTED NOTED US SCULPTOR GEORGE SEGAL, WHO IS VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT VISIT TO USSR. ACCORDING TO DEPT OFFICER WHO HAS WORKED WITH SEGAL, HE IS VERY ARTICULATE ABOUT HIS WORK AND FUNCTIONS WELL IN INFORMAL GATHERINGS AS WELL AS MORE FORMAL SETTINGS. BELIEVE HE WOULD BE EXCELLENT EXCHANGE PARTICIPANT, MEETING EMBASSY CRITERIA REFTELS B AND C.

2. SEGAL'S WIFE, WHO WORKS WITH HIM IN STUDIO, WOULD ACCOMPANY SEGAL AT OWN EXPENSE AND PROBABLY PARTICIPATE IN MANY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES IN SEGAL'S PROGRAM.

3. SEGAL CANNOT ARRIVE USSR PRIOR OCTOBER 1976. PLEASE ADVISE RE SEGAL'S ACCEPTABILITY TO UNION OF ARTISTS. ROBINSON

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